

NEGRO DESERTER KILLED

He Had Been Leading Filipinos Against American Troops.

HEAD CUT OFF BY NATIVE SPIES

Had on a Ring Belonging to an Officer of the Engineers, Who He Had Captured—Traitor Held Commission in Insurgent Army for Two Years.

Manila, Dec. 9.—Native scouts from Bengabon, province of Nueva Ecija, have killed the American negro, David Fagan, a deserter from the Twenty-fourth (colored) infantry, who for more than two years has been leading Filipinos against the American troops. The native scouts decapitated their prisoner. The man's head, however, was recognized as that of Fagan's. They also secured his commission in the insurgent army. Fagan had on one of his fingers the class ring of Lieutenant Frederick W. Altstaetter, of the Engineers, who was captured by Filipinos, supposedly under the command of Fagan himself, October 25, 1900. Fagan has been reported as killed upon several occasions. The authorities are satisfied that former statements of his death were erroneous, and that he has now been killed.

A military commission has sentenced the Filipino general, Isidoro Torres, to be hanged, after finding him guilty of ordering the assassination of Corporal Fieldner, of the Twelfth Infantry, at Malolos, province of Bulacan, last October. The sentence of the commission has been disapproved by General Chaffee, who finds that the commission had reasonable grounds to doubt whether General Torres personally ordered the assassination of the American soldier. General Chaffee thinks that the high rank held by Torres in the insurgent army would have been sufficient to prevent such unmilitary action on his part.

GIFTS FROM MRS. MCKINLEY

She Sends to Ladies of Cabinet Christmas Souvenirs.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The ladies of the cabinet were pathetically reminded of the death of President McKinley. They all received Christmas souvenirs from Mrs. McKinley. These were slippers and little tokens in fancy work, made by herself, of black wool trimmed with gray ribbons. When Mr. Cortelyou returned from his recent visit to Canton he was charged with a message to the ladies of the cabinet, who for five years had been Mrs. McKinley's companions and associates. She requested that they refrain from sending her any Christmas gifts, as the grief of the day will be poignant enough without adding to it by such reminders of other days.

New Cave Discovered.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 9.—A special from Butte says that a new and wonderful natural cave, believed to be one of the largest known, has just been discovered in the canon of the Jefferson, on the line of the Northern Pacific railway, about 50 miles east of Butte. An exploration party from that city spent several days in the cave, going over an area of ten miles and to a depth of nearly 1,000 feet. A large river, with a cataract of about 100 feet, was explored for a distance of several miles without discovering its source of outlet. A few articles of stone and copper utensils and some bones, believed to be human, were also found in one of the large apartments of the cave. The formation of stalactites and other natural decorations throughout the cave are most beautiful.

Tobacco Warehouse Burned.

Danville, Va., Dec. 7.—Fire broke out here yesterday and totally destroyed the leaf plant of John E. Hughes & Co. and Brown's storage warehouse, with contents. Both were filled with leaf tobacco in hogheads and loose. The storage warehouse contained 500 hogheads of leaf belonging to the American Tobacco company. The total loss will exceed \$130,000, exclusive of the advance in the price of tobacco since purchased, which is considerable.

\$135,000 Fire at Wilkesbarre.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 7.—Fire broke out in the large dry goods store of Langfell Brothers, in this city, shortly after 6 o'clock last evening, and the flames spread so rapidly that the building and stock was entirely destroyed. The clothing stores of Simon Long & Sons and Weitzenkorn Brothers, adjoining, were also badly damaged. The total loss was \$135,000. A spark from a broken electric light wire in one of the show windows of the dry goods store is said to have started the fire.

Cattle Sale at Live Stock Show.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Judging in the championship classes for the leading breeds of cattle was the feature yesterday of the International Live Stock Exposition. In the main cattle pavilion the Galloways were on sale. Thirty-three Galloways sold at an average of \$285. The top price was \$2,000, paid for a bull exhibited by N. P. Clarke, of St. Cloud, Minn. This is said to be the highest price ever paid for a Galloway in America.

Postoffice Robbers Secure \$900.

New York, Dec. 7.—Burglars entered the postoffice at Sussex, N. J., last night. The safe was blown open and about \$700 in stamps and \$200 in cash taken. The money order blanks and other valuable papers which were in the safe were also carried off. The same office was robbed of several hundred dollars in stamps and cash about four months ago.

THE A. F. OF L. CONVENTION

Majority of the Committees Met and Organized Yesterday.

Seranton, Pa., Dec. 9.—Notwithstanding that yesterday was Sunday, many of the delegates to the convention of the American Federation of Labor did not cease their activity, the day being given up to the transaction of committee business. A majority of the committees met and organized, and not a few of them took up questions that will engage the attention of the convention during the week. The executive council, which is composed of the president, the six vice presidents, the secretary and the treasurer of the Federation, went into session early and did not adjourn until long after noon.

What is looked upon by many of the delegates as the most vital question is that of trade autonomy. The brewery workmen and the mine workers' delegates probably will be the storm centre on this question. Both of these trade unions want industrial autonomy. Nearly a dozen resolutions on the matter of the exclusion of the Mongolian race from the United States and island possessions are in the hands of a special committee. This committee probably will report one resolution embodying the good points of all of them.

AGED COUPLE ASPHYXIATED

Stopper of Pipe Used For Gas Stove Was Open.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 9.—Robert Roberts, 76 years of age, and his wife, Sarah, aged 70 years, were found dead, asphyxiated by illuminating gas, at their home. When found Mr. Roberts was lying partly out of the bed, his feet resting on the floor, while Mrs. Roberts was sitting on a chair in a corner of the middle room. It is supposed that she became sick, and that Mr. Roberts was attempting to go to her assistance when he was overcome. The stopper of the gas pipe used to connect with a gas stove was open. A little dog in the house was not affected by the gas. Mr. Roberts was a retired business man, well-to-do, and there are no circumstances to indicate any suicidal purpose on the part of the aged couple.

BERRY HOWARD IN CUSTODY

He is Charged With Complicity in the Goebel Murder.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 9.—Sheriff Broughton, of Bell county, accompanied by three deputies, arrived here yesterday, having in charge Berry Howard, of Bell county, who was indicted for complicity in the murder of William Goebel, and who has been a fugitive for more than a year. He turned his prisoner over to the authorities here, and Howard was assigned to quarters in the jail with Caleb Powers and James Howard, a relative, charged with the same crime. Howard protests his innocence, and says that he became a fugitive in the mountain section only because he did not want to lie in jail here. He will ask for an immediate hearing, that he may be released on bond.

Strike Or Lockout a Misdemeanor.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 9.—By the passage of the industrial arbitration bill through its final stages the government has placed a law upon the statute books, the working of which will excite interest throughout the whole world. This bill not only compels reference of all disputes between employers and employees to a competent court, with power to enforce its orders and award, but makes a strike or a lockout, before or pending such reference, a misdemeanor punishable by a fine or imprisonment.

Married Over the Wire.

Bowling Green, Ky., Dec. 9.—Miss Maude Wilcutt stood in the telegraph office here on Saturday night and became the bride of Dr. J. W. Simmons, of Peaster, Tex. They were married by wire. The questions were asked from the Texas end by a justice of the peace and were answered by Miss Wilcutt. The operator and newspaper acquaintances were the Bowling Green witnesses to the marriage. Mrs. Simmons will leave for Texas to join her husband.

Killed in Railroad Wreck.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 9.—A head-on collision between heavily loaded freight trains on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad caused the death of two men, Fireman Meader, of the west-bound train, and an unknown tramp. A brakeman of the same train was fatally burned and scalded. The collision occurred between Nuttall and Fayette stations, and, it is said, was caused by a telegraph operator forgetting to deliver his orders.

Molleux to Stand Trial Again.

New York, Dec. 7.—Roland B. Molleux will have to stand trial again. Judge Newburger, of the general sessions court, handed down a decision yesterday afternoon, in which he declined to dismiss the indictment asked for by prisoner's counsel.

Anarchists Not Allowed to Meet.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 9.—The Cleveland police yesterday refused to allow the "Liberty Association," which includes in its membership a number of the disciples of Emma Goldman, to hold a meeting in a hall engaged for that purpose.

Young Corbett Will Meet McGovern

New York, Dec. 9.—Yielding to the personal request of Terry McGovern, Young Corbett last night, it is said, agreed to fight Terry next July.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Tuesday, December 3.

"La Belle Russe," David Belasco's first successful play, was revived at Murray Hill Theatre, N. Y., last night. Beginning next Monday, the United States supreme court will take a recess of four weeks, to reconvene on January 6.

The convention of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America began at Detroit, Mich., yesterday.

Pennsylvania railroad officials deny the rumor that the company has bought real estate in New York for a terminal station.

Wednesday, December 4.

The Southern Conference of the Unitarian Church is in session at Chattanooga, Tenn.

The State National and National Hide and Leather Banks, of Boston, have consolidated.

General Russell A. Alger, former secretary of war, is seriously ill at his home in Detroit, Mich.

Governor Stone, of Pennsylvania, and a party of friends started last night for a tour to Mexico.

A new steamship service was inaugurated yesterday between New York, Halifax, N. S., and Jamaica ports.

The will of Hon. Clem Studebaker, of South Bend, Ind., disposing of several million dollars, was admitted to probate yesterday.

Thursday, December 5.

During November 3,700,766 pounds of coffee were exported from Porto Rico.

I. Newton Evans, of Hatboro, Pa., ex-congressman of the Seventh district, died last night.

American soldiers in Northern Luzon, P. I., are forbidden to drink the native "vino" spirits.

A heavy snow storm prevailed in Kansas last night, covering the eastern half of the state.

Representatives of nearly all railroads running west of Chicago held a meeting in New York yesterday.

Friday, December 6.

Joseph A. Porter, former city treasurer of Camden, N. J., died yesterday.

George B. Chadwick was elected captain of the Yale football team for next year.

Captain Richmond P. Hobson, of the United States Navy, lectured before the St. Louis Y. M. C. A. last night.

Professor James Swann, prohibition candidate for governor of Maryland in 1899, died at his home in Denton, Md.

The Massachusetts state prison at Charleston was closed to visitors yesterday because of the small-pox scare in the city.

The main building of the Michigan Alkali company's soda ash plant at Wyandotte was destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, \$500,000.

Saturday, December 7.

The University of California will send a track team east next year.

SAFE THE KEELEY INSTITUTE PURE PO BOX 584 HARRISBURG, PA. CURES ALL DRINK AND DRUG ADDICTIONS. NEWLY FURNISHED. NEW MANAGEMENT.

The thermometer registered 25 degrees below zero at Ballston, N. Y., yesterday.

Mrs. Roosevelt returned to Washington last night from her visit to New York.

Sherman B. Oviatt, ex-speaker of the New Jersey assembly, is critically ill at his home at Asbury Park.

Mgr. Sbaretti, formerly archbishop of Havana, has been appointed apostolic delegate to the Philippine Islands.

A London dispatch says that Major Van Tets, who was wounded in a duel by Prince Henry, of Holland, died on Thursday night.

Augustus Misal, of Columbia, Pa., brakeman on the Columbia and Port Deposit railroad, fell from his train and was killed at Hain's station.

Monday, December 9.

Senator Quay left for his winter resort at St. Lucie, Fla., today.

President Roosevelt signed the first bill sent to him by congress on Saturday.

A dispatch from Manila says Governor Taft is much better and will leave for home December 20.

The board of health of Sayreville, N. J., closed a handkerchief factory because of an epidemic of small-pox.

T. B. Waters, of Toledo, O., jumped from a third-story window of a hotel at Lafayette, Ind., and broke his neck.

Two thousand customs employes in New York organized a permanent civil service association for mutual benefit.

Herbert Marx, who shot and killed two men near Oak Grove, Va., last Tuesday, arrived at his home in Brooklyn.

United States Coined \$136,340,781.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The report of George E. Roberts, director of the mint, upon the operations of the mint service during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1901, has been completed. The coinage of the mints during the fiscal year amounted to 176,999,132 pieces, of the value of \$136,340,781. Of this \$99,065,715 was in gold, \$24,298,850 was in silver dollars, \$10,966,848 was in fractional silver and \$2,009,568 was in minor coin. There also were coined at the Philadelphia mint 225,000 gold pieces of the value of \$349,014 for the government of Costa Rica.

250 Boers Captured.

Pretoria, Dec. 6.—The largest captures of Boers made in many months occurred yesterday, when three columns secured an aggregate of 250 prisoners. General Bruce Hamilton, near Ermelo; Major Dawkins, in the Waterbury district, and General Methuen, in Northwest Transvaal, rounded up three laagers, with only a few casualties on either side.

Ready to Build Turkish Warship.

Constantinople, Dec. 9.—The Cramp Shipbuilding company has notified the Porte that it is ready to commence building a cruiser for the Turkish government, and has asked the government to send officers to supervise the vessel's construction.

ARE YOU DEAF? ANY HEAD NOISES? ALL CASES OF DEAFNESS OR HARD HEARING ARE NOW CURABLE by our new invention. Only those born deaf are incurable. HEAD NOISES CEASE IMMEDIATELY. F. A. WERMAN, OF BALTIMORE, SAYS:

Gentlemen:—Being entirely cured of deafness, thanks to your treatment, I will now give you a full history of my case, to be used at your discretion. About five years ago my right ear began to ring, and this kept on getting worse, until I lost my hearing in this ear entirely. I underwent a treatment for catarrh, for three months, without any success, consulted a number of physicians, among others, the most eminent ear specialist of this city, who told me that only an operation could help me, and even that only temporarily, that the head noises would then cease, but the hearing in the affected ear would be lost forever. I then saw your advertisement, accidently in a New York paper, and ordered your treatment. After I had used it only a few days according to your directions, the noises ceased, and to-day, after five weeks, my hearing in the diseased ear has been entirely restored. I thank you heartily and beg to remain Very truly yours, F. A. WERMAN, 730 S. Broadway, Baltimore, Md.

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WINCHESTER FACTORY LOADED SHOTGUN SHELLS "New Rival," "Leader," and "Repeater" Insist upon having them, take no others and you will get the best shells that money can buy. ALL DEALERS KEEP THEM.

Short Talks On Advertising By Charles Austin Bates.

In most newspapers there is a dead level of advertising excellence, or rather lack of excellence.



"Probably in every town there are two or three advertisers who secure prominence."

The advertisements are generally of about the same degree of badness.

Probably in every town there are two or three advertisers who secure distinct prominence for their announcements by giving them a little attention and infusing into them a little life and interest.

A man doesn't have to get his head very far above the sea of mediocrity to command wide attention. Nine cases in ten, when a man says that advertising doesn't pay, he has arrived at this conclusion because he has expected the newspaper to do it all.

If he were to neglect his show window and his store front as he neglects his advertising space he would have still other complaints to make about business in general. If the windows were never washed and the display of goods never changed, he would not expect many people to stop and lose themselves in an ecstasy of admiration; and yet he does seem to expect just this sort of thing for an old, moss covered advertisement.

There is nothing magical about advertising. It is one of the tools of trade, just as a chisel is a tool of carpentry. The man who handles the chisel properly can do many useful things with it. If he is careless and awkward he is likely to cut himself.

It's the same way with advertising.



"If he neglected his show window he would not expect many people to stop and lose themselves in admiration."

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RIDER AGENTS WANTED one in each town to ride and exhibit a sample 1901 model bicycle of our manufacture. YOU CAN MAKE \$10 TO \$50 A WEEK besides having a wheel to ride for yourself. 1901 Models High Grade \$10 to \$18 '00 & '99 Models Best Makes \$7 to \$12 500 Second Hand Wheels \$3 to \$8 taken in trade by our Chicago retail stores. Many good as new. We ship any bicycle ON APPROVAL to anyone without a cent deposit in advance and allow 10 DAYS FREE TRIAL. You take absolutely no risk in ordering from us, as you do not need to pay a cent if the bicycle does not suit you. This liberal offer has never been equaled and is a guarantee of the quality of our wheels. We want a reliable person in each town to distribute catalogues for us in exchange for a bicycle. Write today for free catalogue and our special offer. J. L. MEAD CYCLE CO., Chicago.

A POINTER. There are many brands under names closely resembling "Porcelain Enamel Paint" and "Porcelain," but they are deceptions. None of them possess the merits of these standard brands, and none others contain their ingredients. They are not New or Untried. Plenty of References. Seven Highest Prizes in as Many Years. Porcelain Enamel Paint is used for the Glazing of Walls and Woodwork and Ceilings in parlors, halls, kitchens and bathrooms. Always call for "RINALD BROS.' ENAMEL," and you'll NEVER BE DECEIVED. Use "Bessemer Paint" on tin roofs and iron columns, fences, etc. Send for Free Sample. RINALD BROS., 30 N. 6th Street, PHILADELPHIA.

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